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In re Application of:

Seiji YAMASHITA et al.

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SAME, AND DETERGENT
COMPOSITION**SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-captioned case as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claim as follows:

8. (Amended) An emulsifier, dispersant, solubilizer, detergent, penetrating agent or wetting agent, comprising the nonionic surfactant according to Claim 1.

Please insert the following new claims:

22. (Added) An emulsifier, dispersant, solubilizer, detergent, penetrating agent or wetting agent, comprising the nonionic surfactant according to Claim 2.

23. (Added) An emulsifier, dispersant, solubilizer, detergent, penetrating agent or wetting agent, comprising the nonionic surfactant according to Claim 3.